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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/613,940
**NETWORK DEVICE INCLUDING CENTRAL AND DISTRIBUTED
SWITCH FABRIC SUBSYSTEMS**
Applicants: C. Simons et al.
Attorney Docket No: 102689-27

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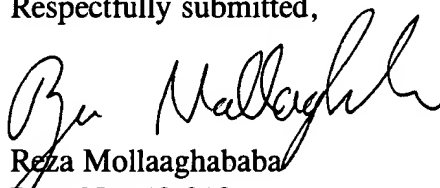
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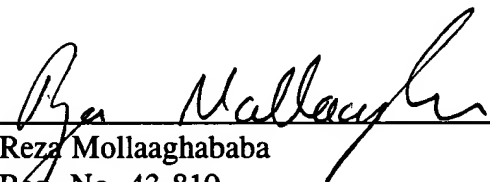
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